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PUNCHDRUNK Comes to Canada for Dramaworks 2012

Theatre Alberta is thrilled to announce that **punchdrunk**, one of the UK's most innovative theatre companies, will make its first trip to Canada this summer to **lead a featured professional master class at Dramaworks in July 2012.**

Sleep No More
Photo courtesy *the nytimes.com*

Combining traditional theatrical texts with innovative technology, **punchdrunk** is a pioneer in *immersive* theatre: they encourage audiences to participate wholly in the world of the play rather than simply present it to them.

Facilitating this exciting master class will be **Maxine Doyle**, *punchdrunk*'s co-artistic director and choreographer of their first North American hit, *Sleep No More* – a Film Noir reimagining of Shakespeare's *MacBeth* – which is currently enjoying an extended run in New York. Ms. Doyle and an additional member of the **punchdrunk** creative team will lead participants through a challenging workshop based upon creating what the New York Times calls, "theatre for the interactive age."

Theatre Alberta's **Dramaworks** will be held from July 4 to 8, 2012, in and around the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Further workshop information and applications will be available in March on our website.

More information on punchdrunk is available on their website. Read more about *Sleep No More* here and watch some extra video clips here and here!

Click here for more information about Dramaworks.

...from Theatre Alberta

"Theatre Alberta is so very pleased to welcome **punchdrunk** *to instruct at Dramaworks 2012. Not only is this exciting for artists from around the province but it speaks highly to Alberta's reputation for quality theatre and talented theatre artists."*

- Keri Mitchell
Executive Director

"Dramaworks participants, I hope you're ready for the week of your lives. This is truly a life-changing opportunity."

- Michelle Kennedy
Programmer